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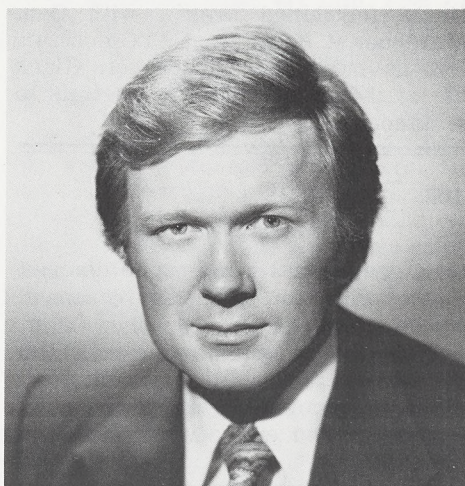
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Newman Named To New Post

The appointment of Joseph Newman as Washington representative of the OPC Freedom-of-the-Press Committee was announced by Henry Gellermann, OPC president and committee chairman.

Newman, a former correspondent with *The New York Herald Tribune*, saw service in Tokyo, Latin America, Moscow, and at the United Nations before becoming one of the newspaper's editorial writers from 1962-1966.

In recent years Newman had been directing editor of the book division of
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Charles Scarborough

—photo courtesy NBC

Scarborough To Anchor Awards

Chuck Scarborough, who will officiate at the OPC annual awards presentation at the Club's 40th anniversary dinner May 24, is New York's most-watched newsman, according to National Broadcasting Company, where he is seen on two TV newscasts nightly.

Chuck is co-anchorman for the 6 p.m. telecast on NBC's "NewsCenter 4" and sole anchor on the 11 p.m. news. He has been reporting for NBC since 1974, when he joined its New York City station as a newscaster.

Winner of four Emmy awards for his TV journalism, Scarborough also is a novelist and author of "Stryker," published by Macmillan last year. He began his news career with WLOX in Biloxi, Miss., in 1966, moving to WAGA-TV in Atlanta as managing editor for news. In 1972 he joined WNAC-TV, the CBS affiliate in Boston, and came to New York two years later. He is a native of Pittsburgh and a 1969 graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi with a B.S. in television and radio.

Chuck will share the limelight at the annual dinner with Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr., commander of NATO forces in Europe, our principal speaker.
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Carol Weld, OPC Founder-Member

Carol Weld, a former foreign correspondent and a founder-member of the Overseas Press Club, died March 31 in a Miami, Fla. hospital after a long illness.

Born in New York, Ms. Weld worked on the city staffs of *The New York American* and *The New York Herald Tribune* before going abroad.

In Paris, she joined the staff of the European Edition of *The Chicago Tribune* and was with that paper until its merger with *The Paris New York Herald* on Nov. 30, 1934. She then worked for
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AWARDS DINNER

In alphabetical order, members of the honorary committee for the OPC annual awards dinner and fortieth anniversary dinner (combined event) May 24 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel are as follows:

Roderick Beaton, president and general manager, United Press International.

Robert Campbell, chairman of the board, *Newsweek*.

Keith Fuller, president and general manager, The Associated Press.

William Randolph Hearst, Jr., chairman, executive committee, Hearst Corp.

John Jay Iselin, president, Educational Broadcasting Corp., WNET/TV.

W. H. James, president and publisher, *New York Daily News*.

William S. Paley, chairman of the board, Columbia Broadcasting System.

Warren H. Phillips, president and chief executive officer, *Wall Street Journal*.

Fred Silverman, president, National Broadcasting Company.

Arthur Ochs Sulzberger, chairman of the board and president and publisher, *The New York Times*.

Following an urgent request for assistance from the Foreign Press Club in Tokyo April 19, the OPC's Freedom of the Press Committee has interceded with the South Korean Embassy in Washington on behalf of a South Korean news photographer being held incommunicado in South Korea on alleged charges of espionage.

He is Chi-Jung-Kwan, an employee of CameraPress, a British photo news agency headquartered in London, who is stationed in Tokyo.

According to Bruce Dunning, president of the Tokyo Foreign Press Club and Tokyo correspondent for CBS news, Chi-Jung-Kwan went to Pusan on assignment and was arrested by South Korean authorities at the Pusan International Airport March 31.

In response to a telephone call from Dunning, OPC president Henry Gellermann consulted with the Club's Freedom of the Press Committee of which he is chairman. On behalf of the committee he has asked Joe Newman, the OPC liaison officer in Washington, to call at the South Korean Embassy and protest the incident. Newman also is attempting to learn the whereabouts of the South Korean newsman and more about the nature of the charges against him.

Awards Dinner

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Presidents and chairmen of ten of the nation's major newspapers, magazines, news organizations and TV and radio networks are serving on the honorary dinner committee with *Lowell Thomas*, honorary chairman (see box).

Festivities will take place at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, with a 7:30 reception in the Gold Room and dinner at 8:15 p.m. in the Starlight Roof. OPC president *Henry Gellermann* and other Club officers will share the dais with our speakers and the honorary committee.

Bob Sheridan is dinner chairman. Other committee chairpersons for the dinner are:

Reception: *Henry Gellermann*

Seating: *Anita Diamant Berke*

Program and invitations: *Harry Rand*

Treasurer: *Arthur Milton*

Awards: *Robert Sheridan*

Script: *George Burns*

Production: *Russell C. Tornabene*

Menu: *Li Ling Ai*

Photography: *Charles E. Rotkin*

Press relations: *Charles J. Schreiber*

Bulletin: *John Guenther*

DATELINE 1979 (OPC annual magazine): *Russell Milton and Kenneth S. Giniger*.

The name of *Ed Cunningham* was omitted inadvertently from the list of Awards Judges in the March 1 *Bulletin*. He is serving for Class 9, *Mary Hemingway Award*, and Class 10, best magazine interpretation of foreign affairs.

Dinner tickets are \$45 each for members and one guest; additional tickets are \$75. Reservations may be made for tables of ten or for individual seating. For reservations, mail in your check or telephone the OPC office at the Biltmore (Mary Novick, 687-2430.)

Carol Weld

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Universal Service, International News Service and finally United Press.

Among the major stories she covered were the romance of King Edward VIII and Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson, and later their marriage at a chateau in France six months after the King's abdication and his assumption of the rank of Duke of Windsor.

She was in New York when World War II erupted and tried unsuccessfully for an assignment abroad. She later went to Hollywood and helped in a fund-raising campaign to send American ambulances to France.

Later she worked for RKO Radio Pictures as southeastern director of advertising and publicity. She also wrote several books.

Up-and-coming

Friday, May 18, 5:30 p.m. — Jazz nite, with trumpeter *Hank Doughty* and his "Pioneers of Jazz" big band of eighteen musicians, *Ray Abrams*, co-leader and arranger. Free to OPC members; seating on first-come basis; at the Biltmore; cash bar.

Thursday, May 24 — Annual awards dinner and OPC fortieth anniversary dinner (combined event), with *Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr.*, NATO commander, as our principal speaker. Black tie; at the Waldorf Astoria. Details to be announced.

From The Clubs

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OPEC ministerial meetings to discuss a new price for oil. Heavily armed Swiss police ran a very tight ship, backstopped by plainclothesmen too alert and organized to melt into the eddies of sleep-deprived news hands swirling around every Middle Eastern face in sight.

An enterprising darker complexioned reporter managed to slip into an elevator with one delegation and pose the extra question (take *that*, pale face) and the Iranian delegates were more accessible than expected (NIOC chief *Hassan Nazih* confessed he was a lawyer and didn't know much about oil after being questioned about some optimistic figures). But during the two-day confab there was little fraternizing with the press (HE *Zaki Yamani* slipped into the meeting room through a back door, rather than run the gauntlet of reporters in the hall outside).

A mild break came in the evening of the first day (March 26), when delegates called for a pause while a TV was wheeled into the meeting room so they could watch the signing of the Egypt-Israeli treaty live from Washington. The dates of the OPEC meeting and the peace treaty were a coincidence.

Coverage seemed extra heavy, with many organizations sending more than one reporter from the US, the ME or Europe. On deck were *Youssef Ibrahim* (Tehran) and *Paul Lewis* (Paris) for NYT; *Ray Vickers* (Middle East) and *Jim Tanner* (London) for the WSJ; *Friedel Ungehauer* (Time, Brussels) and *David Tinnin* (Zurich, *Fortune*) for

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Newman Named

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U.S. News and World Report in Washington, D.C. This appointment, states *Gellermann*, will strengthen the OPC's efforts to render assistance to journalists stationed overseas whose activities or safety are facing difficulties, and where diplomatic or State Department intervention appears warranted.

Time Inc. BusWeek sent *Ron Taggiasco* from Rome and *Jack Kramer* from Cairo (previous poor devil BW sent to Cairo got on a plane for home shortly after arrival). From the US came *Mike Jensen* (NBC, lately of NYT), *Scott Shuster* (ABC), *Terry Brown* (*Chicago Tribune*).

Also seen on the scene: *Tony Hileman* (UPI, Zurich), *Dan Smith*, who has just launched a new oil bulletin, *London Oil Reports* ... and many others. Reporters who made out best financially were those who bought their Swiss francs on arrival and watched the rate inch upwards even beyond its normal high level (one reporter had a \$100 per day room) from the day before the meeting to the day after.

On the local scene, *Anthony Curnow*, until recently press officer for the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE), has taken over as chief of the UN Public Information Office. *Tony*, awash in administration, is already nostalgic for ECE days. AP-Dow Jones' ace Geneva bureau chief *Bushen Bahree* has been appointed AP-Dow Jones bureau chief in London. *Richard Mikton*, formerly research director for *Business International* has joined the ECE research department. Your reporter, currently monitoring Iran, will soon gear up for a book on Saudi Arabia for *Business International*.

—*Michael B. Sullivan*

Who, Where

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early 1930's, where she was with The Universal Service, INS and the UP. ... A former OPC member, **Kenneth A. Campbell**, died Feb. 27 at 78. He had been a correspondent with *The Times*, won the French croix de guerre at the age of 18 in World War I. With an amazing memory and a gift of storytelling, he "was a man of decided opinions" and many OPC members will remember nights at the 40th St. OPC clubhouse when a certain amount of turmoil ensued at *Jimmy Mendito's* bar. He was a man of courage and received the chevalier of the Legion of Honor in 1951 from the French Government for World War II services.

FROM THE CLUBS

LONDON — Have you ever landed at London's Heathrow Airport too late for a connecting flight out? Have you ever flown to London without a hotel reservation? London is notoriously short of hotel rooms to cope with the influx from all over the globe.

So what do you do? Don't give up — you can find a room right under your nose. In recent years hotels have been mushrooming all around the periphery of Heathrow — 13 at latest count, with 5,000 rooms. Look around your arrival terminal near the foreign exchange banks and car hire desks and you'll see free wall telephones to many of the airport hotels. Two Sheratons — Sheraton Heathrow and Sheraton Skyline, Holiday Inn, Post House, Excelsior, Center, Ariel, Skyways, Ambassador. Most run free shuttle services to all three terminals. Signs in the terminal direct you to "Hotel Courtesy Bus."

Ask for the reception desk and you're sure to get a room for the night or longer at some airport hotel. If you're interested in spending some time in London, ask if they have a shuttle bus into London — many of them do. It's free too. So you can stay at the airport and spend all the time you want in London, shopping, dining out, going to the theatre. If your hotel doesn't have a London bus service, you can take the Underground (subway) via the recent extension to Heathrow.

My own favorite Heathrow hotel is the Sheraton Heathrow. It has a covered outdoor swimming pool with chairs and tables in the sun. Free sauna. Bar with American bartender. A fine restaurant, the Ascot Room (specialty dinner kebab). Hairdresser. Most of all I like it because of its genial, gracious Turkish-born manager, Ercumen Acar, graduate of Michigan State with B.A. in Hotel Management and as pro-American as they come.

—Doris Macauley

FRANKFURT — You won't find any trench-coated foreign correspondents in this area — but there are a helluva lot of hard-working USA-national scribes of both sexes. More than a 100 can be found in Frankfurt or nearby, making it one of the largest USA press communities abroad. Staffers are in the minority — about two dozen work for the US military radio, print and TV media, plus a lesser number engaged by major publications and wires.

Most of them are freelancers in a wide variety of activities, including editing and publishing newsletters for local businesses, banks, government agencies and trade associations. Others supplement their income by dubbing

films, translating and even putting out their own magazines.

Newest and successful in the latter category is Jim Kane, with his biweekly *Seven* (The Information Magazine for Living and Working in Germany). In the black after only four months, Kane also provides employment for a dozen experienced (Dick Van Osten, Ted Shoemaker among others) and aspiring journalists, as circulation now tops the 18,000 mark.

But OPCer ranks are thin. *Tom Lucey*, who prefers Frankfurt living to Paris, is putting the finishing touches on the *International Herald Tribune* supplement on West Germany due to appear shortly after Easter. *Don Franklin Jordan* (radio and newspapers freelance), commutes to Duesseldorf from Bonn to edit a German bank's English-language publications and press releases. Dave Grozier, ex-RFE P.R. chief, has found a lucrative niche in the film-translation area — and maintains his digs in Munich. *Carl Koch* (*Industry Week*) combines business writing with business guidance for European industrial investors seeking to expand their activities to the USA. And he's ready to accept stories from other correspondents for this column, as well as help them apply for OPC membership. It's a good investment for the overseas scribe.

—Karl Koch

TOKYO — One of the largest farewell parties ever held at the Foreign Correspondents Club of Tokyo honored four members who leave for new posts.

Former president and longtime member, John Roderick of the Associated Press is opening the AP bureau in Peking. After years of China-watching from Tokyo, John returns to China. Bob Crabbe of UPI also leaves Tokyo for Peking to keep UPI competitive with Roderick.

Going in the other direction are Ian Macintosh of the Australian Broadcasting Commission, who takes over the New York bureau of ABC, and Douglas Ramsey, who leaves *The Economist* for New York and *Newsweek*.

—Bruce Dunning

SEOUL — The Seoul Correspondents Club is operating in new lavish quarters a-top the Hapdong News Agency headquarters, a building that houses several foreign news organizations as well as Hapdong.

South Korea's Culture and Information Minister, Kim Seong-jin was the guest of honor at the Club's dedication on February 15th. A.P. Bureau chief K.C. Hwang is president of the club and supervised the club's expansion from one room on the first floor of the Hapdong building to the new location, which has dining room and bar facilities,

as well as a lounge and an outdoor terrace with a panoramic view.

The club has a membership of 231, including 79 regular correspondent members. Most of the correspondents are affiliated with foreign news media.

The Seoul club is open to all visiting newsmen. Guest cards will be issued on application to the club.

—Bruce Dunning

GENEVA — Reporters from all over mobbed the lobby, corridors, elevators and back stairs of the Intercontinental Hotel recently for the March 26-27

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Who, What, Where

By GRACE NAISMITH

HONORS: Freedoms Foundation has awarded **Otto J. Scott** the George Washington Honor Medal for his article, "Revolution and the Press," which was printed by *Imprimus* of the Center for Constructive Alternatives, Hillsdale College, Mich. ... **Lowell Thomas** was honored recently on the 50th anniversary of his membership in the Explorers Club. An exhibition of his photographs and paintings and books was shown at a small reception. CBS-TV caught him reminiscing. Thomas is honorary president of the Explorers Club, and the building, 46 East 70 Street, bears his name. He celebrated his birthday — the 87th — on April 6 ... **George L. Hern, Jr.** was presented with the World Travel Award given by *Travel Digest*. Hern was named "Public Relations Director of the Year." He is PR director for the French Government Tourist Office. This is the first time in its 16-year history that a public relations director has received the honor given to outstanding travel personalities throughout the world. Hern was cited also for his literary contributions.

SPEAKER: **Whitman Bassow** addressed the annual meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science in Philadelphia; subject: "The Third World: Changing Attitudes Toward Environmental Protection. Bassow, former *Newsweek* Moscow Bureau Chief, is executive director of the Center for International Environment Information in New York. **Arthur Reef**, by the way, is a member of the Center's Advisory Committee.

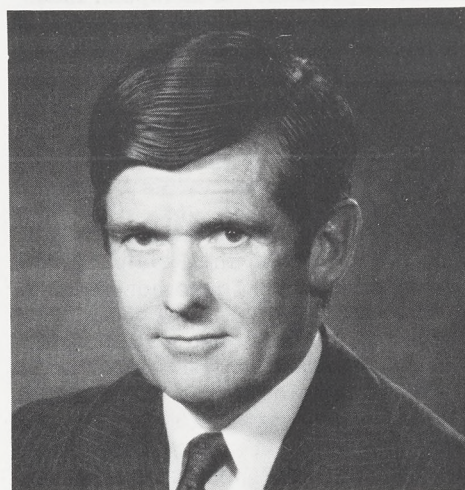
NEW LOOK: **Paul F. McPherson** has been appointed president of McGraw-Hill Information Systems Company. He has been executive vice president of McGraw-Hill Publications Company since 1977, and will succeed Joseph L. Dionne, who has been appointed executive vice president-operations of McGraw-Hill, Inc.

MAGAZINES: **Marguerite Vauclair** has an article in April *SAIL* on organizing co-op sailing clubs, based on OCIE in Paris. She also had an article in the *Los Angeles Times* travel section in March ... **Larry Stessin's** investigative reporting piece, "Employee Stealing — America's Number One Growth Industry" in the March 11 Sunday *New York Times* Business and Financial Section. **Yvonne Beaudry** had a featured article in *The Toronto Star*, Mar. 3 on Quebec City. Titled "Visiting France — right here at home," the article was picked up in U.S. newspapers. ... **Tom Mech-**

ling wrote "Getting Tough with Editors," for *Writer's Digest*, all about his "successful legal action against *The Washington Monthly*." We told about it in the Bulletin a while ago.

BOOKS: **Jack Harrison Pollock**, after taking "20 years to write," he says, reports the publication of "Earl Warren: The Judge Who Changed America" by Prentice-Hall in May ... **Caroline Bird's** "The Two-Paycheck Marriage," her 8th book is out April 25 from Rawson, Wade. It is a Book-of-the-Month Club alternate and *Woman's Day* will print excerpts in three issues. Watch for her on the "Today Show." ... *Business International* is selling "United Arab Emirates: Regional Trading Center in the Making," a mini-book by **Michael B. Sullivan**. How to do business in Sheikdom is what it's about.

WANTED: A publisher for **Mary Tannebaum's** charming essays, a recent one in *The Christian Science Monitor* on the magnolia, just beginning to bloom ... And if you have an anecdote — humorous — for **Juliet Lowell's** book-



Paul F. McPherson

in-process about "the great, the near great and those who think it's great to laugh," send it to her at 28 East 70 Street. It will be her 14th book.

TRAVELING: **Will Yolen** in Brazil and seen on our new scene at The Chemists' Club ... **Dorothy Ducas** home from St. Thomas, where she recuperated from an injured back suffered in a fall last October ... **Denny Griswold**, founder of *PR NEWS* and wife of Glenn Griswold, publisher of *Business Week*, was a recently featured guest at the World Press Institute, was guest of honor in Washington before the International Association of Business Executives, the National Association of Government Communicators; was interviewed by the *Washington Star* by Annamarie Goetzinger and also *Marketing Publication*.

MARRIED: **Rebecca Riger**, in March to Prof. Yoshihiro Tsurumi, director of the Pacific Basin Economic Study Center at the University of California at Los Angeles's Graduate School of Management. The bride was, until recently, a foreign-banking analyst with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

WELCOMED: In the Chemists' Club newsletter is our OPC announcement of joining. "The OPC has many prestigious members" who will have headliner luncheons and books nights, jazz nights and operatic evenings and "clubable" comradery. We are happy to be "welcomed aboard" by Robert J. Milano, president of the Chemists' Club.

SAD NEWS: **Carol Weld**, a founding member of the OPC died March 30, in Miami at 65. She was a former foreign correspondent, worked on the old *New York American* and *The New York Herald Tribune* before going to Paris in the
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